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REMARKS

Claims 1-8 and 20 were previously cancelled.

Claim 19 is rejected under 35 USC §102(b) as anticipated by Dudouyt, U.S. 4,245,848.

Applicant has amended claim 19 to more clearly distinguish over the prior art. Specifically, the body of the truck mounting assembly is described in greater detail, to describe the rounded ends of the body. The square ends of the fasteners used in the Dudouyt reference are not harmful in this case because the trucks used in the Dudouyt reference surround and protect the ends. In the present invention, where the bodies of the truck mounting assembly are exposed, it is important that the ends be rounded to prevent snags.


Furthermore, the method is amended to include the step of removing a portion of the body between the ends. While this is not required in the Dudouyt reference, it is important in the present embodiment so that the bodies may be fastened onto a wide variety of common trucks.

Claim 19 has also been amended to correct the informal matters addressed by Examiner.

One (1) sheet of Amended Drawings is enclosed, amended to correct the double use of the designation "L". The drawing and specification was amended to describe the length of the board as "BL" rather than "L", which is used to describe the body of the truck mounting assembly.

Since the prior art does not teach the limitations disclosed in claim 19, as amended, Applicant respectfully requests allowance of claim 19, as the above amendment has placed this claim into condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,


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